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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
: Examiner: J. N. Fredman  
NOBUKO YAMAMOTO, et al. )  
: Group Art Unit: 1637  
Application No.: 09/942,596 )  
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Filed: August 31, 2001 )  
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For: METHOD FOR ANALYZING )  
BASE SEQUENCE OF )  
NUCLEIC ACID ) Monday, September 19, 2005

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for  
response to the Office Action dated March 18, 2005, for three months from June 18, 2005,  
to Monday, September 19, 2005.

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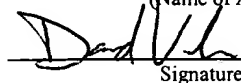
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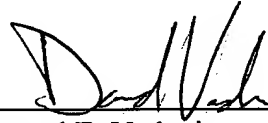
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Submitted herewith is a check for \$1,020.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Damond E. Vadnais", is written over a horizontal line.

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